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AN ATTEMPT TO PARTITION UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Proposed as the Best Policy to Placate the Warring Powers

STREETS AND ALLEYS OF HELL WILL SWARM WITH EUROPEAN GHOSTS BEFORE SUCH A SCHEME SUCCEEDS

(Associated Press)

Paris, Oct. 19.—The subjoined curious communication written on thick official-looking folio paper without any indication of its origin has been delivered by messenger at the office of the Agence Havas, the principal news agency in France:

"It is stated on high authority that suggestions have been made in the diplomatic circles of European chancelleries declaring that the easiest solution and the one most acceptable to all the warring nations would be the partition among them of the United States of America. The United States of America are a most inviting prize as compensation for the sacrifices rendered by these nations, and an arrangement on the basis of the respective relations of the different nations is surprisingly practicable.

"So far from being a visionary scheme for a solution of this great world conflict, the fact is only too apparent that only a small part of the effort expended in the sanguinary struggle, now raging, would have sufficed to satisfy all nations in their respective ambitions.

"A noted diplomat declared his surprise that this idea of the partition of the United States had not emerged sooner, because the land is so largely made up of the constituency of all the warring nations.

"The tentative plan to satisfy thus the national ambitions of the European countries at war, instead of prolonging the internecine struggle, is broadly outlined as follows:

FLORIDA UNDER THE BRITISH FLAG

"Great Britain is to occupy New England, Maryland, Virginia, North and South Carolina, Georgia and Florida.

"France is to get the French parts of Eastern Canada and the states of Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Arkansas, Tennessee and Kentucky.

"Germany is to occupy the states of New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, Missouri, Iowa, Wisconsin and Minnesota.

"Japan is to take the Pacific coast, the state of Oregon, Upper and Lower California.

"Mexico is to be compensated for Lower California by ceding to it Arizona, New Mexico and part of Texas. "Russia will receive Alaska.

"The Panama canal will be declared free, whilst the western states, North and South Dakota, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Washington, Montana, Wyoming, Idaho and Colorado will be consolidated into an imperial crown-domain of the German Empire.

"Though these 'satisfactions' are to be acquired in a concerted campaign, each of the several nations is to effect the occupation of its own allotted territory.

"Thus, it is claimed, would best be met the rights and interests of the different nations of old Europe, as it would safeguard their nationals under their respective flags.

"Whatever be said about this bold solution it should be appreciated that in many ways it is more feasible than the three successive partitions of Poland, which nevertheless are historic facts.

"Truth is sometimes stranger than fiction. This alleged tentative understanding of the powers at war may be relegated to imaginative fiction, but it is surely not stranger than the sober truth, and it might easily take its form."

OKLAHOMA VALLEY RAILROAD SCHEDULE

No. 71—Leave Palatka, 7:30 a. m., arrive Ocala, 11:35 a. m.
No. 72—Leave Ocala, 1:05 p. m., arrive Palatka, 5:25 p. m.

Nice, fresh peanut brittle, the kind that has made us famous, at the Court Pharmacy. 13-6t

BANDITS AGAIN RAIDED ACROSS THE BORDER

BIG CROWD OF GREASERS HELD UP A TRAIN THIS MORNING NEAR BROWNSVILLE

(Associated Press)

Brownsville, Texas, Oct. 19.—Mexican bandits held up and robbed a passenger train on the Frisco railroad near Olmito, seven miles north of here, early today. The engineer and a soldier were killed and three persons injured. The robbers pulled up a rail, causing the engine and baggage car to leave the track.

There were seventy or eighty Mexicans in the party who looted the train and set fire to a trestle near the scene of the robbery, nearly destroying it.

Passengers on the train said the bandits shouted "Viva Pizana," Pizana being the leader of the so-called "Texas revolution."

The sheriff and a posse started for the scene in automobiles as soon as news was received of the hold-up. Two companies of infantry on a special train were also sent to the scene. A cavalry troop and an infantry detachment have been sent up the river, to try to head off the raiders.

CLAIMED KIN WITH CARRANZA

Later news says there were three dead and five wounded in the Olmito hold-up.

The bandits claimed to be followers of Luis Dela Rosa, leader of the so-called Texas revolution. They shouted "Viva Pizano, viva Carranza." Pizano is co-leader with Rosa. The bandits numbered twenty.

VOTING FOR WOMEN

PRESIDENT AND MANY OFFICIALS IN NEW JERSEY TODAY

(Associated Press)

Washington, D. C., Oct. 19.—President Wilson left this morning for Princeton to cast his vote for woman suffrage. Secretary Taft, Secretary Garrison and scores of government employees also went home to vote.

SWARM OF DESTROYERS AND SUBMARINES

Soon to be Added to Navy of the United States

(Associated Press)

Washington, Oct. 19.—Contracts for sixteen submarines and six destroyers were awarded today by the navy department. One destroyer will be built at the Norfolk Navy Yard and one at Mare Island, Cal. Four of the submarines will be built on the Pacific coast. The Bremerton, Washington and the Portsmouth, N. H., navy yard each will build one.

Pabst Blue Ribbon Beer, the best, purest and most healthful of ALL drinks, at Johnny's Place. 1t

AMONG THE NATIONS OF AMERICA AGAIN

MEXICAN GOVERNMENT RECOGNIZED BY THE UNITED STATES THIS MORNING

(Associated Press)

Washington, Oct. 19.—Formal recognition by the United States of the de facto Mexican government with Carranza as chief executive was accomplished at noon today, at which time a messenger carried a letter from Secretary Lansing to Elisio Arredondo, Carranza's representative at the Mexican embassy, with similar letters to other members of the Pan-American conference.

Arredondo starts tomorrow for Saltillo, Mexico, to meet Carranza. Henry P. Fletcher, ambassador to Chile, is the most likely choice for ambassador to Mexico.

PIONEER HAS PASSED

JOSEPH MCCOY WHO LAID OUT THE FAMOUS TRAIL FROM TEXAS TO KANSAS

(Associated Press)

Kansas City, Oct. 19.—Joseph G. McCoy is died at his home here today.

Joseph G. McCoy promoted and laid out the famous cattle trail, leading from the great plains of Texas to Abilene, a station on the Union Pacific railroad, in Kansas, over which, during the decade following 1867, upwards of ten million head of cattle, valued at \$150,000,000 were driven. He was a neighbor of Abraham Lincoln in early life, having been born at Springfield, Ill., Dec. 20, 1837.

McCoy engaged in business at Abilene and became the first mayor of the town, which was noted for its turbulence. One of his official acts was the appointment of "Wild Bill" Hickox to the position of marshal. Hickox, renowned as a frontiersman, is said to have killed forty-five men at Abilene in efforts to establish order.

GOT THEM ON THE GRIDDLE

Robert L. Batts is Giving the New Haven Directors a Roast

(Associated Press)

New York, Oct. 19.—Robert L. Batts continuing his outlining of the government's case in the trial of the New Haven railroad officials, charged with violating the Sherman law, took up details in the alleged monopolistic growth of the system. He dealt at length upon the acquisition of the Connecticut and Rhode Island lines.

MILLIONS OF MEN

Are Yet Needed to Win the War for the Allies

London, Oct. 19.—"Great Britain needs 3,000,000 men by spring." This declaration was made by Brig. Gen. Sir Eric Swayne, director of recruiting in the northern command, in a speech at Hull yesterday. General Swayne estimated that Germany still has between nine and ten million men from the ages of 18 to 45, and that, therefore, it is useless to talk about wearing out Germany.

In the spring, said Gen. Swayne, Germany would lose more men than the allies, which would balance the numbers of the allies and the central powers, but if Great Britain should raise 3,000,000 additional, Germany probably would recognize that it would be fruitless to continue to fight. Great Britain, he added, did not want compulsion, but unless three million men were recruited by spring, the military authorities could not be responsible for the war.

BANKRUPT SALE

At 10:30 a. m. on Tuesday, the 26th day of October, A. D. 1915, I will offer for sale at Dunnellon, Fla., the entire stock of general merchandise and store fixtures of D. G. Watkins in bankruptcy. On the same date I will also offer for sale the stock of paints of the above named bankrupt.

The above stocks to be sold for cash to the highest and best bidder. The trustee reserves the right to reject any or all bids as he may see fit. S. S. Savage Jr., 25c. Trustee in Bankruptcy. No. 1.

SERGEANT STEWART CHAMPION SHOOTER

MASSACHUSETTS MAN PROVES TO BE THE BEST MARKSMAN

(Associated Press)

Jacksonville, Oct. 19.—Sergeant Jas. G. Stewart, of the Massachusetts militia, with a score of 315 out of a possible 325 won the national individual championship in the rifle tournament at Black Point today.

OAK AND GRINER FARM BAPTISTS ORGANIZE

The people residing in the vicinity of Oak and the Griner Farm school house recently asked that an organization council be called to assist them in completing the organization of a Baptist church. Accordingly representatives from the Baptist churches at Sparr, Anthony, Ocala, Fort McCoy and Oklawaha Bridge met at the Griner Farm school house, four miles north of Ocala, last Saturday, October 16.

The school house was crowded by 11 o'clock; the council of invited churches was organized with R. J. Gorbet, chairman; and O. H. Rogers, clerk. After hearing the articles of faith and the covenant of the proposed new church the council received the letters of those who were to form the new organization. The new church then proceeded to business by adopting the name of Oak Griner Farm Baptist church. The third Sunday in every month was adopted as the regular meeting day for worship and the Saturday preceding for church conference and business. Rev. R. J. Gorbet was elected pastor.

At twelve o'clock a recess of two hours was taken. An excellent dinner was served by the ladies of the community, satisfying the appetites of the most fastidious. There were no signs of hard times evident about that table.

At two o'clock the church assembled again. After listening to a sermon on "The Glorious church of the Blessed God" by Rev. Bunyan Stephens, of Ocala, the church elected the following deacons: H. L. Griggs, Joe Forz, W. L. Hardester, B. C. Murphy, E. E. Perkins. These deacons were ordained Sunday afternoon by prayer and the laying on of hands.

The trustees of this church are H. L. Griggs, L. V. Helton and P. T. Wilson. These trustees and the deacons constitute a building committee and are to proceed at once with the necessary steps for the erection of a new house of worship. Through the generosity of Mrs. E. L. Howell, of Ocala, an excellent two acre lot was given to the church. This lot is just north of the school house.

Bro. R. J. Gorbet preached Saturday evening, Bro. R. F. Rogers Sunday morning and evening and Bro. Bunyan Stephens Sunday afternoon. The Oak Griner Farm Baptist church begins its career under most auspicious circumstances.

There were even fifty members in the organization Saturday and seven others were added Sunday. The field is ripe unto the harvest and the neighborhood is enthusiastic in its support of the new church with its encouraging prospects.

J. F. Luffman is clerk and treasurer. The church will send messengers to the Marion Baptist Association which meets at Inverness November 3-4.

HEALTH AND HAPPINESS DEPEND UPON YOUR LIVER

That sluggish liver with its sluggish flow of bile is what makes the world look so dark at times. Dr. King's New Life Pills go straight to the root of the difficulty by waking up the action of the liver and increasing bile. Dr. King's New Life Pills cause the bowels to act more freely and drive away those "moody days." 25c. a bottle. No. 1.

BATTLES RAGING IN THE BALKANS

Gallant Serbians Give Up Little Ground

(Associated Press)

ANOTHER COMMANDER MAY PUSH DARDANELLES CAMPAIGN WITH MORE ENERGY

London, Oct. 11.—Italy has declared war against Bulgaria. Whether she will send troops to join the British and French in Serbia is as obscure as the results of the fighting on the east Serbian frontier. The Teutonic armies appear to have advanced over fifteen miles south of Belgrade.

The outcome of the fighting between Serbians and Bulgarians along the Saloniki-Nish railroad cannot be summed up so easily. At Vranja, the Bulgarians assert they have reached the railroad. In the south the Serbians are reported to have driven the Bulgarians back.

Athens and Paris papers maintain the Anglo-French forces have taken Strumitza, Bulgaria. No official report has been received and none is expected until the fighting is more conclusive.

SIR CHARLES MUNROE TAKES COMMAND AT THE STRAITS

The removal of General Sir Ian Hamilton from the Dardanelles command has been received with mixed feelings, coming closely after rumors of a possible withdrawal from the Gallipoli peninsula. The appointment of General Sir Charles Munroe to succeed General Hamilton is taken as an indication that the campaign in the Dardanelles will be prosecuted with renewed energy.

ASQUITH IS ILL

Premier Asquith was taken suddenly ill today. He will be compelled to withdraw from public activities for a few days at least.

BIG FORCE GOING TO THE BALKANS

An Exchange Telegraph Athens dispatch says the decision of the Entente Allies to send large reinforcements to the Balkans has been communicated to the Greek government.

FRENCH REPULSE NIGHT ATTACKS

Paris, Oct. 19.—Three German hand grenade attacks were repulsed last night northeast of Souchez, says the war office.

A STATEMENT FROM THE BAPTIST PASTOR

Certain reports have been in circulation the past few days to the effect that I am opposing the presentation of Belshazzar by the young people of the Baptist church at the Temple Theater Thursday evening October 21st. Lest such reports have detrimental influence I take this method of informing the public that such reports are untrue and without foundation.

For the information of any who may desire to know I wish to state that the chorus is made up almost entirely of the young people in the Baraca and Philathea classes of the Baptist Sunday school. Further, that the proceeds from this entertainment will be used in finishing and furnishing the building recently built by the Sunday school for additional class rooms and gymnasium.

I wish to commend this Cantata for the excellency of the music and the moral teaching found in the story. The young people are amateur musicians, but are expecting to make an impression really worth while. I covet for them the sympathetic hearing of a friendly public.

Yours for success, Bunyan Stephens.

WORTH THEIR WEIGHT IN GOLD

"I have used Chamberlain's Tablets and found them to be just as represented, a quick relief for headaches, dizzy spells and other symptoms denoting a torpid liver and a disordered condition of the digestive organs. They are worth their weight in gold," writes Miss Clara A. Driggs, Elba, N. Y. Obtainable everywhere.—Adv.

TRAIN ROBBERS IN NEW YORK

HELD UP TWO FREIGHTS AND TRIED TO ROB AN EXPRESS

(Associated Press)

New York, Oct. 19.—Six armed bandits held up and robbed two freight trains and attempted to rob an express train on the West Shore railroad at the entrance to the tunnel between Congers and Maverstrass, N. Y. The robbers loaded their automobile with packages from the freights and escaped. The express engineer pulled the train out when the robbers failed to guard him. The signal light had been tampered with and stopped the trains.

COULDN'T PROVE IT

TOM TAGGART IS TOO SLICK FOR GOVERNMENT OFFICERS

(Associated Press)

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 19.—The case against Thomas Taggart, who was charged with election conspiracy, was dismissed on motion of the prosecuting attorney.

FIERCE FIGHTING ON THE YSER FRONT

Gallant Belgians, in Face of Overwhelming Numbers, Hold their Ground

(Associated Press)

La Panne, Belgium, Oct. 19.—The Belgische Standart, published here, says that a terrible bombardment was in progress along the Yser front Saturday and Sunday nights. The firing was especially violent near Dixmude and Ypres.

This bombardment was the prelude to an attempt by the Germans to break the Belgian lines. The Belgian artillery returned the fire, shelling the enemy's communication trenches and scattering his infantry as they leaped from the trenches. A second attack on a smaller scale also was repulsed.

This offensive took place in the Dixmude region at a spot known as "Death's Highway," which has been stubbornly disputed by both sides. Although moved down in rows the Belgians have been holding their own and not yielding an inch of ground.

COLORED MAN HONORED BY CONFEDERATES

Little Rock, Ark., Oct. 19.—"Major" Stone, said to be the only Negro member of the United Confederate Veterans' organization, was given a full military funeral at Batesville yesterday. The "Major" died Friday.

When company K of the Arkansas Rifles was organized, Jeff Stone joined it. With Stone was a Negro servant called "Major." Stone was promoted to a captaincy, but at the battle of Chickamauga was killed. Through a rain of shells, risking death at every step, the Negro carried his master's body into the Confederate lines. For this act he was permitted to join the Batesville camp.

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